

PUBLIC MEETING

Interstate 10: Ina Road Traffic Interchange (TI) to
Ruthrauff Road TI

Design Concept Report
and Environmental Assessment

ADOT Project No. 010 PM 247 H7583 01L
Federal Aid No. 010-D (BCL)A

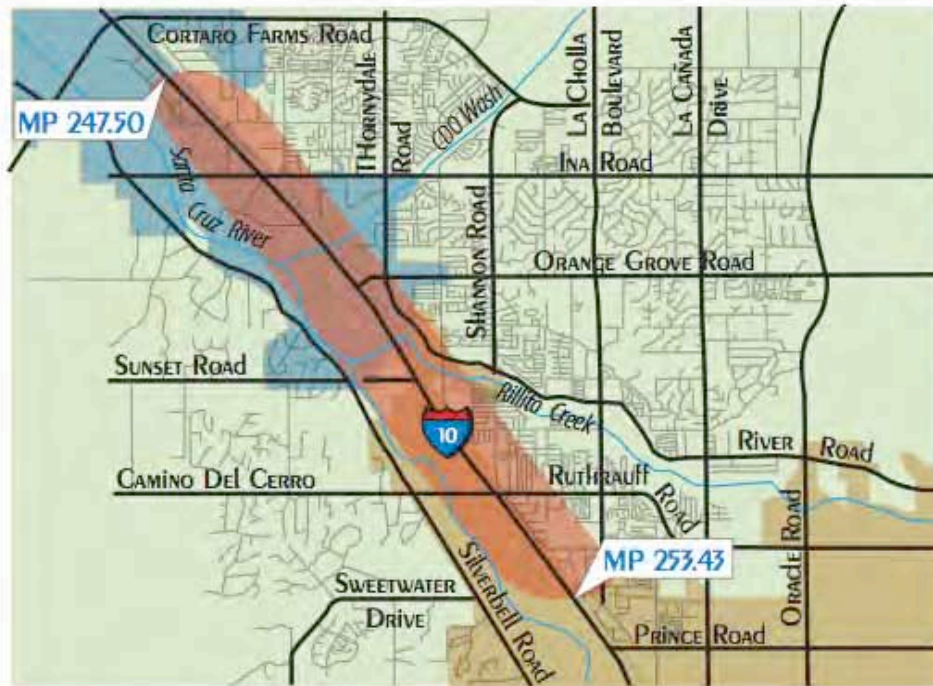
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Welcome and Introductions

- Team Structure
- Agenda and Displays
- Meeting Purpose
- Questions and Comments

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Project Study Area



Initial limits - mileposts (MP)
247.50 to 253.43

Purpose and Need for Project

- Improve traffic capacity
- Improve circulation and access
- Make facility consistent with current standards
- Improve safety at railroad crossings
- Other needs



Project History

- I-10 DCR from Pinal/Pima county line to Ruthrauff Road (1990, ADOT)
- I-10 General Plan Environmental Assessment from Tangerine Road to I-19 TI (1993, ADOT)
- I-10 30% plans from Ina Road to Ruthrauff Road (designed with at-grade crossings of the UPRR at Ina, Sunset and Ruthrauff roads) (1997, ADOT)
- I-10 Eastbound and Westbound Frontage Roads construction from Ina Road to Ruthrauff Road (2001-2002, ADOT)
- 2006 Voter-Approved RTA Plan
- I-10 Mainline Reconstruction from Ruthrauff Road to Prince Road (2010, ADOT)
- I-10 Tangerine Road to Ina Road TI DCR/EA/30% plans (2010-2012, ADOT)

Current Project Construction Funding Sources

- Ina Road TI = \$54 million (RTA and regional funding)
- Sunset Road TI = \$23 million (RTA and regional funding)
- Ruthrauff Road TI = \$59 million (RTA funding)

Project Approach

- Project Deliverables:
 - ADOT DCR
 - NEPA Environmental Assessment
 - Implementation Plan to detail construction sequencing, timing and funding elements
 - Preliminary design (30%)
 - Final technical reports (geotechnical, drainage, traffic)
 - Structural engineering documents

Project Approach

- Project within jurisdictions of Pima County, City of Tucson and Town of Marana
- The project will evaluate TIs at Ina Road, Sunset Road and Ruthrauff Road for grade-separation from UPRR
- It is anticipated that the Orange Grove grade separation with the UPRR will remain
- I-10 mainline structures over CDO wash and Rillito Creek evaluated
- Traffic operations and analysis for 2040 along with construction impacts

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Project Design Features

Ruthrauff Road TI



Ruthrauff Road East Approach at UPRR Looking West

Anticipated Milestones

- Draft Traffic Report = January 2010
- Alternatives Development and Screening = April 2010
- Draft Environmental Reports = September 2010
- Draft DCR/EA = November 2010
- Draft Implementation Plan = March 2011
- Final DCR/EA = May 2011

Methods of Environmental Evaluation

Federal Funding

- NEPA EA based on preliminary design

The EA includes:

- Project purpose and need
- Project alternatives – build and no build
- Public Meeting #2
- Assess existing conditions
- Determine effects and impacts
- Measures to minimize/avoid impacts
- Draft EA (available for public review)
- Conclusions – significant impacts or Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)

Methods of Environmental Evaluation

Issues

- Biology
- Cultural resources
- Traffic noise
- Air quality
- Hazardous materials
- Parks and trails
- Clean Water Act (404, etc.)
- Protected populations (low income, minority)
- Socioeconomics, detours
- Acquisitions/relocations



Comment Methods

- Written comment by December 2
 - Letter
 - Comment form
 - E-mail
 - Web site

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Questions and Answers

